Salvation is NOT by Association - Part 14 – Stay Awake & Keep On The Alert...continued

John 10:24-31

24 The Jews then gathered around Him, and were saying to Him, "How long will You keep us in suspense? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly."

25 Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe; the works that I do in My Father's name, these testify of Me. 26 But you do not believe because you are not of My sheep. 27 My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; 28 and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

30 I and the Father are one."

31 The Jews picked up stones again to stone Him.

Genesis 1:26-28

26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them **RULE** over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." 27 God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. 28 God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and SUBDUE it; and RULE over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,

4 in whose *(those who are veiled and perishing)* case the god *(RULER)* of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

We saw 3 real key truths relating to the kingdom of God;

- **1.** Some passages of scripture refer to the kingdom of God as God's own reign
- **2.** Some passages refer to God's kingdom as the realm into which we can now enter to experience the blessings of His reign
- **3.** Other references refer to the future coming earthly kingdom of God, when Jesus Christ returns. At that time those who are called and endure will experience the fullness of the blessings of His reign and rule and reign with Him. But it's over an earthly kingdom, which has been transformed.

Psalms 103:19. The Lord has established **His throne** in the heavens, And **His sovereignty rules** over all.

Daniel 2:37. You, O king, are the **king** of **kings**, to whom the **God** of heaven has given the **kingdom**, the **power**, the **strength** and the **glory**;

Hebrews 4:14-16

14 Therefore, since we have a **great high priest** who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast **our confession.** 15 For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. 16 Therefore let us draw near with confidence to **the throne of grace**, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Satan comes as:

He comes as a ravenous wolf dressed in sheep's clothing

He comes through a subtle and sincere cover

He comes quoting scripture, wrongly and out of its correct context

He comes with a religious garb on

2 Corinthians 11:13-15

13 For such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, **disguising** themselves as apostles of Christ. 14 No wonder, for even Satan **disguises** himself as an angel of light. 15 Therefore it is not surprising if his servants also **disguise** themselves as servants of righteousness, whose end will be according to their deeds.

Genesis 3:1-6

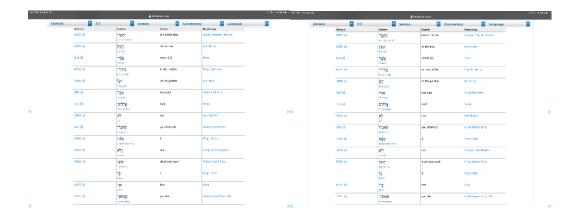
1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said to the woman, "Indeed, has God said, 'You shall not eat from any tree of the garden'?" 2 The woman said to the serpent, "From the fruit of the trees of the garden we may ^^^^ eat;

3 but from the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat from it **or touch it**, or you will die."

Genesis 2:16-17

16 The Lord God commanded the man, saying, "From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; 17 but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die."

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Genesis 5:5. So all the days that Adam lived were **nine hundred and thirty years**, and he died.

Genesis 3:4-6

4 The serpent said to the woman, "You surely will not die! 5 For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6 When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make one wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate.

Matthew 4:23 Jesus was going throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness among the people.